

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 SAN JOSE DIVISION

WILLIAM CECIL THORNTON,	)	Case No. C 15-4611 PSG (PR)
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Plaintiff,	)	<b>ORDER OF TRANSFER</b>
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
UNKNOWN,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
_____	)	

On October 6, 2015, William Cecil Thornton, proceeding *pro se*, filed a letter that was construed as an intention to file a civil rights complaint pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983.<sup>1</sup> Although not a formal complaint, Thornton's letter demonstrates that he complains about events that occurred at Valley State Prison, which is located in Madara County. Because Madera County lies within the venue of the Eastern District of California, venue properly lies in that district and not in this one.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the Eastern District of California.<sup>3</sup> The Clerk shall terminate any pending motions and transfer the entire file to the Eastern District

<sup>1</sup> Thornton has consented to magistrate judge jurisdiction. (Docket No. 6.)

<sup>2</sup> See 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

<sup>3</sup> See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

1 of California.

2 IT IS SO ORDERED.

3 DATED: 11/24/2015

  
PAUL S. GREWAL  
United States Magistrate Judge